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Re: Application of Heinz FOCKE, Michael CZARNOTTA
METHOD AND DEVICE FOR RECOGNITION OF A TEAR-OFF STRIP ON
A MATERIAL WEB
Assignee: FOCKE & CO. (GmbH & Co. KG)
Our Ref: Q86730

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 4 sheet(s) of drawings (Figs. 1-6).
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☒ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ **it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)**

It is assumed that the certified priority document will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if a further copy is needed, the undersigned can easily provide this certified copy upon request.



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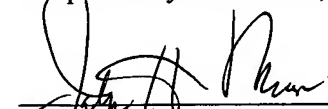
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Priority is claimed from:

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